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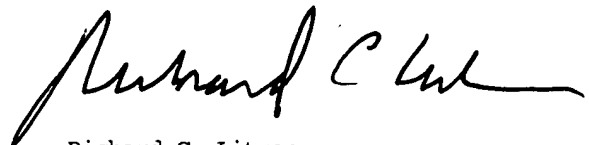
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		5,772,694	06/30/1998	BOKROS ET AL.			
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OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, etc.)

		Texas Department of Transportation "Hydraulic Design Manual", date unknown. See esp. Section 4, "Improved Inlets". URL= http://manuals.dot.state.tx.us/dynaweb/colbridg/hyd/ @Generic_BookTextView/37100;cs=default;ts=default . (Note that there are two underline characters between "Generic" and "BookTextView".)
		Y. Nakayama et al., <i>Introduction to Fluid Mechanics</i> , John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1999, p. 121
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